IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : C. Frederick Battrell et al.

Application No. : 10/762,586

Filed : January 21, 2004

For : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MICROFLUIDIC

MANIPULATION, AMPLIFICATION AND ANALYSIS OF FLUIDS. FOR EXAMPLE, BACTERIA ASSAYS AND

ANTIGLOBULIN TESTING

Examiner : Brian R. Gordon

Art Unit : 1743

Docket No. : 660115.402 Date : January 17, 2008

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 23, 2007, please extend the period of time for response four (4) months, to expire on January 23, 2008. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and submission of the requisite fee.

The Examiner has entered a four-way Restriction Requirement; namely, Group I - claims 1-13 drawn to a method for microfluidic analysis; Group II - claim 14 drawn to a system for microfluidic analysis of assays; Group III - claims 15-23 drawn to a microfluidic system for typing antiglobulin; and Group IV - claim 24 drawn to a method of microfluidically typing blood. Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the Group I claims (i.e., claims 1-13) for examination at this time.

In view of the above, consideration and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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